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# GENERAL ORDER.

His Excellency the Governor General and Commander of the Forces, has received from Lt. Col. Morrison, 89th Regt. the official report of the action which took place on the 11th inst. at Cryslter's Farm, 20 miles above Cornwall, between the Corps of Observation, consisting of the 49th and 89th Regts. and a detachment from the Garrison of Prescott, under Lieut. Col. Pearson, the whole amounting to about 800 men, and the principal division of the Enemy's army commanded by Major General Boyd; On the day preceding the action an affair took place in consequence of the Corps of Observation pressing on the Enemy, which after a short conflict terminated in his defeat, the British division occupying that night, the ground on which the affair had taken place. On the 11th Lieut Col. Morrison continued his pursuit, when the Enemy concentrating his force made a grand effort to relieve himself from so troublesome an opponent, and advanced with his heavy columns of Infantry supported by Artillery, his front covered by a numeous body of Cavalry and Riflemen, Lieut. Col. Morrison fell back gradually, and took up a judicious position (which he had previously made choice of) with his little band; his right on the River, consisting of the flank companies of the 49th Regt. and a detachment of the Canadian Fencibles, under Lieut. Col. Pearson, with a 6 pounder a little advanced; supported by three companies 89th Regt. under Capt. Barns—the 49th and 89th Regts. formed the main body of reserve, extending across the road to a pine wood, occupying a space of 700 yards.

Maj. Heriot with a detachment of the Canadian Voltigeurs and a small band of Indian Warriors under Lieut. Anderson secured the left flank—the action commenced about 2 o'clock in the afternoon and in half an hour became general, the enemy attempting to turn the left of the British, but were repulsed by the 49th and 89th Regts. which advanced firing by wings and platoons, the enemy having failed in this attempt, united their utmost effort in an attack on the right, supported by four pieces of Artillery and their Cavalry, which was in like manner repulsed; the 49th & 89th Regts. having moved up in echellon, and formed in line, a charge commenced by the 49th Regt. was not persevered in, in consequence of the Enemy's having charged upon the right, and threatened to gain the rear, but their cavalry were so gallantly received by the three companies 89th Regt. under Capt. Barns and the well directed fire of the artillery under Capt. Jackson, that they were instantly repulsed & by the rapid pursuit of Capt. Barn's party a six pounder was captured from the enemy whose attention was now solely directed to covering the retreat of his beaten forces; in this last effort he was foiled by a judicious movement of the corps under Lieut. Col. Pearson, who continued to pursue the Enemy in his flight.

Lieut. Col. Morrison reports in the strongest terms, the cordial and able cooperation he experienced from Lieut. Col. Pearson, Lieut. Col. Plenderleath, 49th Regt. Major Clifford, 89th Regt. Major Heriot, Canadian Voltigeurs, and Capt. Jackson, Royal Artillery, to whose able exertions with the combined gallantry of the Troops, where every man did his duty, this great success is to be attributed.

The Lieut. Col. reports the benefit the service has received from the active exertions of Lieut. Col. Harvey, Depty. Adjt. Gens. Capts. Skinner and Davis, Quarter Master General's Department, Lieut. Anderson of the Indian Department, and Lieut. Hagerman, of the Militia, who acted as his Aid-de-Camp.

It is with deep regret that Lieut. Col. Morrison transmits a list of casualties containing the loss of several brave Soldiers—but when the unequal contest and the quadruple loss of the Enemy and the importance of this splendid victory are considered, the comparative British loss will appear less than might reasonably be expected.

*Return of Killed, Wounded and Missing.*

*Royal Arty.*—2 rank & file, wounded
*Royal Arty. Drivers.*—1 do. wounded.
*49th Regt.*—1 Capt. 1 Drummer and 5 R. & F. killed—5 Subalterns, 3 sergts. and 34 R. & F. wounded.
*89th Regt.*—1 Drummer and 4 R. & F. killed. 1 Capt. 1 Subaltern, 3 sergts. & 57 R. & F. wounded.
*49th Flank Compy.*—2 R. & F. killed—1 Subaltern and 11 R. & F. wounded, and 6 R. & F. missing.
*Can. Fencibles.*—4 R. & F. killed—2 Subalterns and 14 R. & F. wounded.
*Can. Voltigeurs.*—4 R. & F. killed—9 R. & F. wounded; 3 R. & F. missing.
*Militia Arty.*——1 R. & F. wounded.
*Militia Dragoons.*—1 R. & F. do.
*Indians*————1 Warrior do. 3 Warriors missing.

TOTAL 1 Capt. 2 Drummers, & 19 R. & F. killed.
1 Capt. 9 Subaltrs. 6 Sergts, & 131 R. & F. wounded.
12 R. & F. missing.

*Names of Officers Killed and Wounded.*

*49th Regt.*—Capt. Nairne, Killed—Lt. Jones, wounded dangerously—Lt. Bartley, wounded severely not dangerously—Lt. Claus, wounded, left leg amputated—Lt. Morton, wounded severely not dangerously—Lt. Richmond wounded slightly.
*89th Regt.*—Capt. Browne, wounded severely not dangerously, Ensign Leaden, wounded slightly.
*49th Flank Compy.*—Lt. Holland, wounded severely
*Can. Fens.*—Lt. Delorimiere, wounded dangerously, since dead.—Ensign Armstrong, wounded dangerously.

By His Excellency's Command,

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